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Strengthening measures in response to new psychoactive substances

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Reaffirming its resolution 48/1 of 11 March 2005 on promoting the sharing of information on emerging trends in the abuse of and trafficking in substances not controlled under the international drug control conventions,

Recalling its resolution 55/1 of 16 March 2012 on promoting international cooperation in responding to the challenges posed by new psychoactive substances,

Recalling also its resolution 53/11 of 12 March 2010, in which it called upon Member States to control the distribution of products containing synthetic cannabinoid receptor agonists and to exchange relevant information concerning the abuse of such substances,

Noting with concern the increasing distribution of new psychoactive substances that pose a threat to public health,

Recalling that the International Narcotics Control Board, in its report for 2010,[1] expressed concern with regard to the increasing use of synthetic cannabinoid receptor agonists and invited Governments to continue to provide it with information regarding the extent of abuse of and trafficking in such substances and measures adopted to counter such abuse,

Taking into account the need, in the event of the emergence of a new synthetic drug, to introduce a temporary restriction mechanism whereby the trade in that

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[1] International Narcotics Control Board, document E/INCB/2010/1, paras. 259-264.

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substance may swiftly be prohibited until such time as it has been added to an official list of controlled substances,

Noting that one of the main problems facing drug control agencies is the lack of information on trends in the use and production of, and trafficking in, illicit drugs, and on prices and purity of drugs, as indicated in the executive summary of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime *World Drug Report 2012*,[2]

Noting also that methodological difficulties in assessing the extent of production of illicit substances in some regions significantly hinders data analysis and the building of a complete picture of the ever-evolving market for illicit drugs,

Recognizing the need for sustained efforts, in priority regions and countries, to support and improve the collection of quality data on the various aspects of the use of illicit substances,

1. *Calls upon* all Member States to continue to monitor, on an ongoing basis, the emergence of new psychoactive substances, to exchange available information and to take measures to improve research on such substances;

2. *Encourages* Member States to consider the possibility of introducing an early warning system for the emergence of new psychoactive substances;

3. *Invites* Member States to take appropriate measures to strengthen international cooperation and the exchange of information regarding the identification of new psychoactive substances, the methods used for their distribution, the modi operandi of criminal organizations dedicated to the preparation and smuggling of such substances, supply routes and the use of the Internet for those purposes;

4. *Requests* Member States to continue to provide the International Narcotics Control Board with information regarding the extent of abuse of and trafficking in products containing synthetic cannabinoid receptor agonists and measures taken to counter such abuse, in accordance with recommendation 25 of the International Narcotics Control Board in its report for 2010;[1]

5. *Requests* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to continue to collect information on new psychoactive substances, including through the global Synthetics Monitoring: Analysis, Reporting and Trends programme.

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[2] United Nations publications, Sales No. E.12.XI.1.